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AUGUST 17, 1972

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TO: GENERAL HAIG, THE WHITE HOUSE

FROM: HENRY A. KISSINGER

1. TELL INGERSOLL THAT HE SHOULD BRIEF PRESS AFTER BOTH MEETINGS (SEE TOKYO 173). LOWER LEVEL BRIEFING WOULD SWAMP OUR PRESENTATION. HE SHOULD TELL JAPANESE THAT I INSIST ON RESTRAINED, AGREED PRESENTATIONS.

2. PRESS HERE IS FULL OF STORIES THAT TODAY LARGEST NUMBER OF PLANES EVER HIT NORTH. WEYAND CONFIRMS LARGELY AS THE RESULT OF NAVY EFFORT. WITH LE DUC THO IN MOSCOW AND THEN PEKING I SHOULD HAVE THOUGHT THIS INSANE. WILL YOU PLEASE TELL MOORER TO FOLLOW ORDERS AND STAY AT AVERAGE LEVEL.

3. I THINK WE SHOULD HIT MCGOVERN HARD ON SALINGER'S CONTACT WITH NORTH VIETNAMESE. HE DID NOT NEED TWO MEETINGS TO CONVEY A REQUEST TO MAKE PEACE. HE SHOULD BE HIT ON DEALING WITH ENEMY WITHOUT INFORMING OWN GOVERNMENT WHICH IS ITSELF NEGOTIATING. IT IS IMPERATIVE HOWEVER THAT ZIEGLER NOT REPEAT NOT REFER TO PRIVATE TALKS. DRV GOOSINESS ON THIS SCORE CANNOT BE EXAGGERATED.

4. PLEASE BRING MY MAIL AND MESSAGES TO CAMP DAVID.

5. HAD TWO HOUR SATISFACTORY MEETING WITH THIEU. I EXPLAINED OUR STRATEGY. I THINK HE WILL BUY OUR PROPOSAL TOMORROW.

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